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## Oregon Winter Wheat Seedings

Oregon farmers and ranchers seeded an estimated 870,000 acres of **winter wheat** for harvest in 2005, according to the Oregon Agricultural Statistics Service. This compares to 820,000 acres planted for 2004 and 970,000 acres planted for 2003.

Producers throughout the Pacific Northwest reported increased winter wheat seedings compared to the previous year. Acreage in Washington and Idaho is estimated at 1.9 million and 770,000 acres respectively.

Nationally, winter wheat seeded area for harvest in 2005 totaled 41.6 million acres, down 4 percent from last year. Of that 41.6 million acres, 73 percent was seeded to hard red winter wheat, 16 percent was soft red winter wheat, and 11 percent was white winter wheat.

### Winter wheat: Area seeded by crop year, 2003-2005 <sup>1/</sup>

| Area                            | 2003<br><i>1,000 acres</i> | 2004<br><i>1,000 acres</i> | 2005<br><i>1,000 acres</i> |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Oregon</b>                   | <b>970</b>                 | <b>820</b>                 | <b>870</b>                 |
| Idaho                           | 760                        | 750                        | 770                        |
| Washington                      | 1,850                      | 1,800                      | 1,900                      |
| Pacific Northwest <sup>2/</sup> | 3,580                      | 3,370                      | 3,540                      |
| United States                   | 45,384                     | 43,350                     | 41,567                     |

<sup>1/</sup> Total for all purposes.

<sup>2/</sup> Includes Oregon, Idaho, and Washington.

For more details, please contact the Oregon Agricultural Statistics Service at (503) 326-2131 or 1-800-338-2157. Information is also available on our home page: <http://www.nass.usda.gov/or>